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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
GROUP 2861  
PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q68459

Hitotoshi KIMURA , et al.

Appln. No.: 10/068,008

Group Art Unit: 2861

Confirmation No.: 6420

Examiner: Anh T.N. Vo

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For: INK JET RECORDING APPARATUS, CONTROL AND INK REPLENISHING  
METHOD EXECUTED IN THE SAME, INK SUPPLY SYSTEM INCORPORATED IN  
THE SAME, AND METHOD OF MANAGING INK AMOUNT SUPPLIED BY THE  
SYSTEM

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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 9, 2003, please consider the remarks as  
submitted herewith on the accompanying pages.

**REMARKS**

**Claim Rejections:**

Claims 1-18, 45 and 82 are all of the claims pending in the present application and  
currently all of these claims stand rejected.